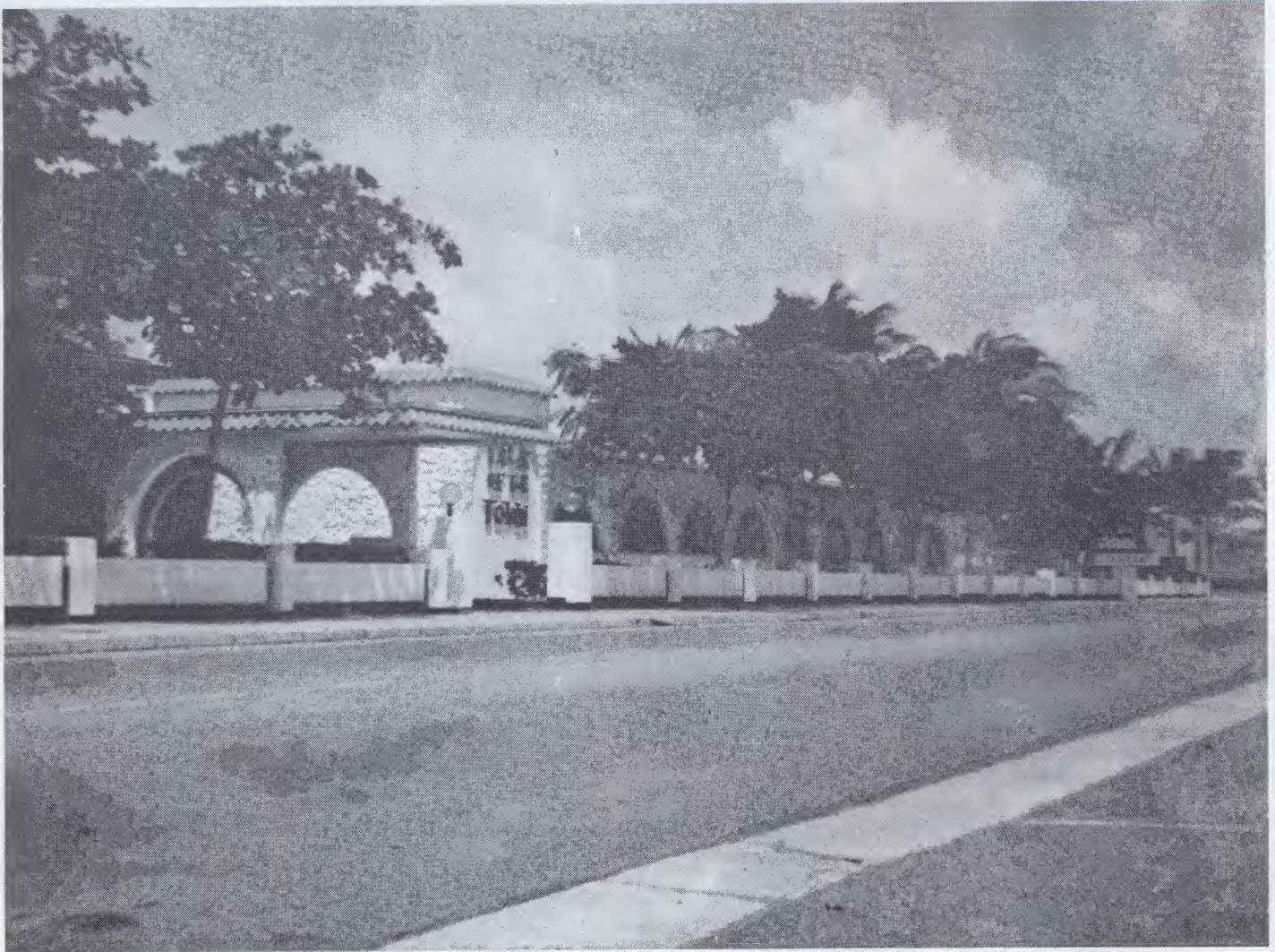


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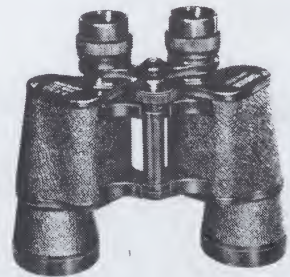


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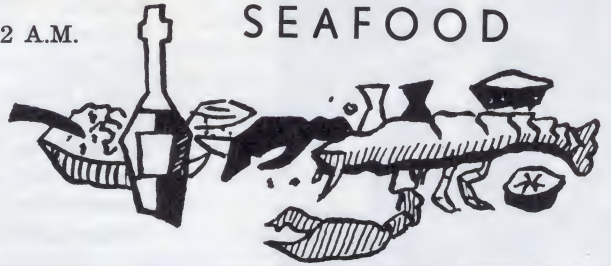
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The average yearly temperature is 82 degrees, with the coolest months January and February and the warmest August and September. The air is lively and sparkling because the humidity averages only 76 per cent. Average annual rainfall is less than 20 inches. Aruba time is 1 hour ahead of Eastern Standard Time and 4 hours earlier than G.M.T.

THE PEOPLE AND THEIR LANGUAGES

Aruba is the only Caribbean island on which the Indian population was not exterminated. The Aruban today is a descendant of Indians, with a mixture of Spanish and Dutch blood of the early colonizers. Arubans, those born on the island, number about 36,000. All are citizens of the Netherlands. Over 40 nationalities (total population 59,000) living peacefully together on the island.

The Leeward islands (Aruba, Bonaire, Curaçao) have a living language of their own — Papiamentu. It is a "lingua franca" that has evolved from Spanish, Portuguese and Dutch with some Indian words. Almost everybody on Aruba speaks Papiamentu, Dutch, Spanish and English.

Watersports



The waters surrounding Aruba are wonderful natural playgrounds. Deep-sea fishing is excellent. The best sport fish in local waters is the Balahu, followed closely by the blue and white marlin.



Skin diving has been popular on Aruba for many years. The waters around the island are exceptionally clear. Underwater visibility of as much as 150 feet is not unusual. As popular as skin diving is waterskiing. Because the Caribbean on the leeward side of Aruba is always calm, it provides a fine course for waterskiiers. Instructors will show the beginner the elements of waterskiing and have him zooming across the turquoise waters in no time.



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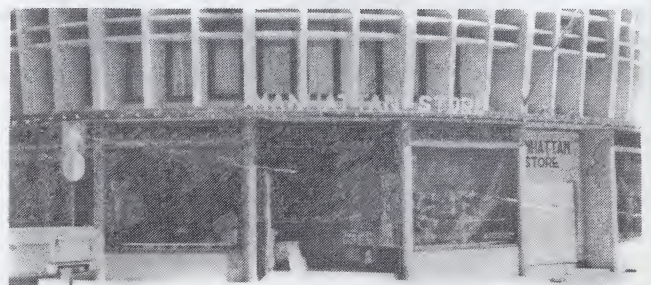
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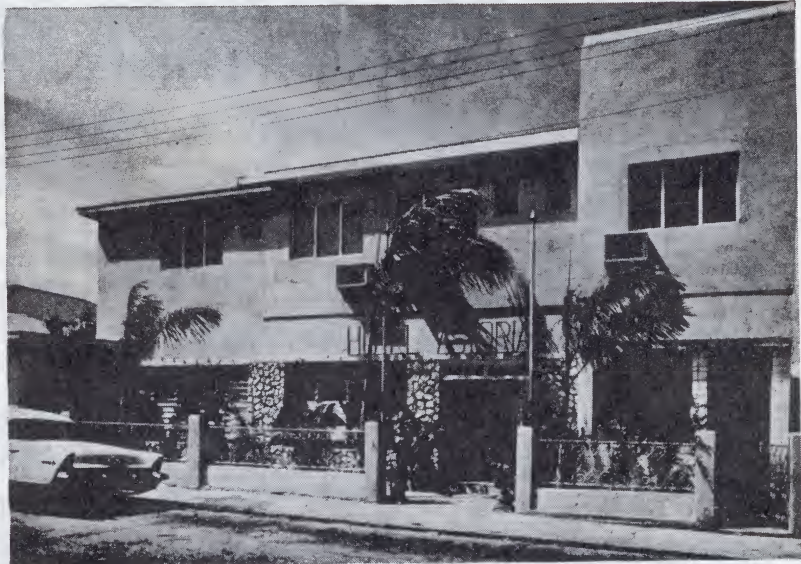
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La capital de Aruba es ORANJESTAD, con una arquitectura típicamente holandesa con alguna influencia española. Los edificios están pintados en los brillantes colores característicos del ámbito del Caribe. Grandes trasatlánticos, cargados de pasajeros y de mercancías atracan regularmente en su puerto. Es excitante pasearse en los días de gran tráfico marítimo por los espaciosos muelles. La imaginación vuela tras los nombres de lejanas tierras impresos en las balas de mercancías. Yokohama, Hong Kong, Italia o Nor-

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Una atracción turística es la caleta de Oranjestad donde están anclados inúmeros barquichuelos procedentes de diversos lugares del Caribe. Allí se encuentra el bullicioso mercado donde en puestos amplios y soleados, despliegan los barqueros sus tentadoras mercancías.

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Junto al mar, muy cerca del puerto, está el bien cuidado PARQUE WILHELMINA, así llamado en honor de la reina madre Guillermina de Holanda. En el centro de la plaza, rodeada de flores y de umbrosas alamedas está una hermosa estatua de la recordada reina.

El clima de Aruba está considerado entre los mejores del Caribe. La lluvia es escasa y los días son frescos por el continuo fluir de los vientos Alisios. En este clima seco medra el DIVI DIVI, un árbol que, azotado por el continuo batir del viento crece en las más extrañas formas, siguiendo siempre la dirección del viento. Para fines industriales se cultiva el áloe, planta liliácea de la cual se extrae un jugo muy amargo usado en medicina. En el campo crecen los cactus; las casas típicas arubanas tienen una pintoresca cerca de cactus. A los arubanos les encantan las flores y se esmeran en cultivarlas. La mayoría de los hogares están rodeados de buganvillas, adelfas, flamboyanes e hibiscos.

Aruba tiene muchos lugares de interés que son dignos de ser visitados. Entre ellos se encuentran las playas de PALM BEACH e EAGLE BEACH que pueden contarse entre las más bellas del mundo. La blanca arena se extiende por varias millas a lo largo de la costa y declina suavemente hacia las turquesas aguas del Caribe ofreciendo, en su mansedumbre, una excelente oportunidad para esquiar sobre el agua, navegar y nadar. En el mar que circunda nuestra isla pululan una extensa variedad de peces, haciéndolo propicio para los diferentes tipos de pesca.

Un distintivo del paisaje arubano es el HOOIBERG (Colina Almiar); para el que desee escalarla hay una escalera que conduce hasta la misma cima.

Al norte de la isla hay bien abrigadas ensenadas que ofrecen sitios ideales para excursiones campestres. Para aquellos a quienes les gusta nadar en un fuerte oleaje este lado de la isla es perfecto. Dos de las más curiosas ensenadas son ANDICURI y DOS PLAYAS; peñascos imponentes se internan en el mar desafiando el embate de las olas que van a estrellarse contra ellos con estentóreo ruido, formando así un violento contraste con las apacibles arenas de la ensenada. Sumamente interesante es el PUENTE NATURAL obra arquitectónica de la naturaleza, socavada en la dura roca por la incesante embestida del mar; no deje de visitarlo así como también a BOCA DRUIF, que es una gruta junto a las dunas de BOCA PRINS.

El CUNUCU, que quiere decir campo en papiamento, está punteado por casitas de vivos colores y por impresionantes formaciones rocosas. Las más imponentes se encuentran en AYO y CASIBARI donde la naturaleza acumuló una sobre otra tremendas masas de granito de miles de toneladas de peso. En AYO Ud. puede explorarlas internándose por intrincados laberintos. En CASIBARI está la BOCA DEL DRAGON, que es una curiosa formación favorita de los fotógrafos.

Los que están interesados en la cultura autóctona, encontrarán antiguos dibujos indígenas en las paredes de las cavernas de FONTEIN y de CANASHITO, y en las rocas de ARIKOK y AYO.

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